

Cyngor Sir CEREDIGION County Council

REPORT TO: Ethics and Standards Committee

DATE: 13 October 2022

LOCATION: Hybrid

TITLE: Update on Adjudication Panel for Wales matters

PURPOSE OF REPORT: For information

The Adjudication Panel for Wales (APW) is an independent tribunal that has been set up to determine alleged breaches against an authority's statutory Code of Conduct by elected and co-opted members of Welsh County, County Borough and Community Councils, Fire and National Park Authorities. The following are decision up to the 24 August 2022.

1) Name: Former Councillor Paul Dowson

Reference number: APW/008/2021-022/CT

Relevant authority: Pembrokeshire County Council Nature of allegation: Breach of paragraphs 4(c) and 6(1)(a) of the Council's Code of Conduct.

Hearing: 22nd August 2022

Tribunal Decision: Disqualified for 3 years <https://adjudicationpanel.gov.wales/apw0082021-022ct-former-councillor-paul-dowson>

2) Name: Former Councillor Gordon Lewis

Reference number: APW/010/2021-022/CT

Relevant authority: Pencoed Town Council Nature of allegation: Breach of paragraph 6(1)(a) of the Code of Conduct.

Hearing: 10 June 2022

Tribunal Decision: Disqualified for 24 months

<https://adjudicationpanel.gov.wales/sites/adjudicationpanel/files/2022-06/APW-0010-2021-022-CT-Former-Councillor-Gordon-Lewis-Notification-of-decision-v2.pdf>

3) Name: Former Councillor Caryl Vaughan

Reference number: APW/009/2021-022/AT Relevant authority: Llansantffraed Community Council Nature of allegation: Breach of paragraphs 6(1)(a) and 6(1)(b) of the Council's Code of Conduct.

Hearing: 24th June 2022

<https://adjudicationpanel.gov.wales/apw0092021-022at-former-councillor-caryl-vaughan>

Tribunal Decision: Disqualified for 12 months

WELLBEING OF FUTURE GENERATIONS:

Has an Integrated Impact Assessment been completed?
Not required
If, not, please state why
Summary:
Long term:
Integration:
Collaboration:
Involvement:
Prevention:

RECOMMENDATION (S):

To note the contents of the report.

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Acronyms: